REMARKS

Status Summary

Claims 1-36 have been canceled, and previously added claims 37-48 were examined. Claims 37 and 47 are rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double-patenting. Claims 39 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly indefinite. Claim 39 is canceled. Claim 38 is amended to correct grammatical error. A terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith. Reconsideration in view of the claim cancellation and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claim 39 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly indefinite based on the term "non-autoimmune." Claim 39 is cancelled and thus this rejection is rendered moot.

Rejection of Claims Based on Non-Statutory

Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

Claims 37 and 47 are rejected based on non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 5,756,096 to Newman et al. A terminal disclaimer is filed herewith. As such, applicants request that the obviousness-type double patenting rejection be withdrawn.

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Conclusion

All rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If any points remain in issue, which the examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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